



# JUNE TEENTH FREEDOM DAY

JUNE 19

## Juneteenth Edition: Paving The Way Forward

### 1968 to 2022: The Fight for Innovation

The Center for Black Studies Research was established in 1969 after Black Students at UCSB took over North Hall and demanded that changes be made on campus to combat the systemic racism and inequitable schooling they experienced. Over 60 years later, the CBSR is continuing the work of making UCSB and the society at large more equitable and diverse. See what our Director and Associate Director have to say about Juneteenth and the continued struggle towards freedom and justice it marks in the [UCSB Current!](#)



### The People Make the Center



"My time as Management Services Officer has been quite eventful and fulfilling. This year's highlights include assisting Dr. Tettegah with Budget Administration and Recruitment,

as well as overseeing the Center's payroll and financial administration. The SEEDS and BRAIN program pilots were wonderful to be involved with. I am looking forward to what next year will bring as we assist Professors Tettegah and Batiste with their various initiatives."

"As the Financial & Procurement Coordinator, I oversee all financial reimbursement aspects of the department. This past year has been adventurous as

we completed a mass hire for the SEEDS/BRAIN program and learned to navigate Concur's new financial system. I look forward to seeing what this coming year brings to the Center for Black Studies Research."



### Facilitating Change with iChange

Director Tettegah is the lead for UCSB's IChange Team, which is composed of other campus leaders ready to make change on campus. The purpose of IChange is to provide opportunities for increasing underrepresented STEM faculty recruitment, hiring, and retention. IChange is a 3 year initiative designed to catalyze institutional change through self-assessment.

#### Allison Clark: IChange Team Project Manager

"I am delighted to become the IChange Team Project Manager within the CBSR. The missions of IChange, the CBSR, and UCSB as well as their commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion all align with my personal and professional principles and values. My entire career span has been established on these foundations. I look forward to working with the staff and members of the IChange Team."



## Look What You Missed in May

### Closing Out SEEDS

#### SEEDS Final Webinar Presentation, May 23rd

SEEDS' final webinar presentation was given by Professor George Legrady on his Data Visualization course, MAT 255, which he will be giving in Fall 2022. One student reported that, "... really enjoyed seeing someone from a UCSB department that I rarely get exposed to and seeing how media and art relate to data science."

#### SEEDS Closing Event, May 31st

Dr. Sherwood & Tettegah managed & closed out our pilot SEEDs program. Our goal with this closing event was to get feedback from the student fellows on what worked and didn't work during SEEDS pilot year, and to get insight on what research topics students are interested in exploring. We received a lot of useful feedback and are excited at the possibility of employing it in year two!

### Postdoctoral Presentations

#### Miriam Burnett

Improving Cultural Pre-College Science Experiences through Culturally Relevant Pedagogies;

Ethnic Studies Pedagogy Better Prepares the 21st-Century with a Diverse STEM Workforce

#### Joaquin Noguera

Growing Roses in Concrete: Transformative Education for Black and Brown Children

#### Faith J. Day

Investigating #YoutubeBlack  
You can find the recording of these presentations [here!](#)

### Women in Carnival May 25th, 2022

This interdisciplinary symposium explored through the lens of Carnival and (mas)querade, subversive displays of power, the politics of racialized, sexualized & nationalized bodies, and the trickster energy of play.



## Creating and Sustaining Change: New Initiatives

### CBSR Arts & Humanities Research Mentorship Program, Projected Launch Fall 2022

A program headed by Associate Director Professor Dr. Stephanie Batiste, where undergraduate students will work directly with faculty in the arts and humanities on their research in order to progress towards independent research. Students will receive training in research methods and support in achieving a successful graduation.

### LIVEANDLIVES

Director Dr. Sharon Tettegah is starting the Learning Institute for Visionary Epistemologies in STEM (LIVEandLIVES) that will support different ways of knowing. LiveandLives aims to maintain an environment where diverse ways of knowing are welcomed, fostered and supported. LiveandLives will focus on understanding and deploying knowledge from diverse cultural perspectives with an emphasis on diverse epistemologies (how a person understands and comes to know), ontologies (How a person exists in the world) and axiologies (what a person values). It will focus on how and what individuals from diverse cultures know, what is valued and how knowledge is understood.

## Thank You To Everyone Who Made SEEDS Possible

### Webinar Presentations

#### SPRING 2022

**Dr. George Legrady** - Data Visualization, May 23rd

**Dr. Linda Akli** - High Performance Computing, April 11th

**Dr. Naomi Tague** - Environmental Data, March 28th

#### WINTER 2022

**Dr. Ken Kosik** - Data & Genomics/Genetics, January 18th

**Dr. Len Annetta** - Data in Mixed Reality, January 31st

**Dr. Faithe J. Day** - Teaching Data Justice, February 14th

**Dr. Timothy Sherwood** - Lying with Data, February 28th

#### FALL 2021

**Dr. Alon Albalak** - Machine Learning, November 29th

**Dr. Faithe J. Day** - Critical Race Theory & Data Methods, November 15th

**Dr. Jason Harley** - Data Medicine & Surgery, October 18th

**Dr. Alan Craig** - History of Data, October 5th

### Guides & Mentors, Et Al

**Ambuj Singh**, Department of Computer Science, UCSB

**Byron Johnson**, Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences, UCSB

**Crystal Carr**, Department of Psychology/ Behavioral Neuroscience, UNC, Chapel Hill

**Danyelle Dawson**, Department of Psychology, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

**Darren Henry**, Department of Psychology, Morehouse

**Faithe J. Day**, Postdoctoral Fellow, UCSB

**Joaquin Noguera**, Post Doctoral Fellow, UCSB

**Jon Jablonski**, Interdisciplinary Research Collaboratory, UCSB

**Kimberly Nestor**, Department of Computational Neuroscience, Carnegie Mellon

**Ken Kosik**, Department of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology, UCSB

**Marcus Mathis**, Office of Black Student Development, UCSB

**Marian Banks**, Housing, Dining, & Auxiliary Enterprises, UCSB

**Michelle Brown**, Department of Anthropology, UCSB

**Miriam Burnett**, Department of Education, UCSB

**Naomi Tague**, Bren School of Environment Science and Management, UCSB

**Paige Miller**, Marine Science Institute, UCSB

**Rachel E. Weissler**, Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Oregon

**Spencer Lavere Smith**, Department of Engineering, UCSB

**Steven Velasco**, Office of Budget and Planning, UCSB

**Timothy Sherwood**, Department of Computer Science, UCSB

**Sharon Tettegah**, Department of Black Studies, UCSB

**Zainab Bansfield**, Department of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology, UCSB

